COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION)

vs.) CASE NO. 8743

COLUMBIA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.)

SHOW CAUSE ORDER

Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:006, Section 23, requires each utility to notify the Commission of any accident on its facilities which results in death or serious injury to any person or substantial property damage. Federal pipeline safety regulation 49 CFR 191.5 also requires notice of certain leaks on utility facilities. These requirements have been further defined in a letter dated August 3, 1982, from Mr. Richard D. Heman, Jr., Secretary of the Public Service Commission, to all gas utilities subject to Commission jurisdiction. This letter requires telephonic notice at the earliest possible moment (not to exceed two hours) following discovery of accidents or emergencies which result in death or personal injury, gas igniting unintentionally, damage to property (\$5,000), unscheduled outage for 25 or more customers for four or more hours, any expected short-fall that will result in an unscheduled curtailment or any curtailment of Priority I (Residential) and any other significant occurrence (newsworthy).

^{*} Public Service Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:021, Sec. 18(1).

On November 30, 1982, and December 4, 1982, incidents occurred in the service area of Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.,("Columbia") which were not reported to the Commission. An incident on November 30, 1982, in Lexington, Kentucky, resulted in a fatality. An incident on December 4, 1982, in Frankfort, Kentucky, resulted in serious injuries to one person and substantial property damage. Staff investigations of these accidents were not timely due to the lack of notice.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Columbia shall appear at the offices of the Public Service Commission in Frankfort, Kentucky, on the 31st day of January, 1983, at 10 a.m., E.S.T., to show cause, if any it can, why it should not be subject to penalties prescribed under KRS 278.992 for failure to properly notify the Commission of these accidents.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of December, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Satherine Landale
Vice Chairman

Commissioner Commissioner

ATTEST:

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In the Matter of:

THE DETARIFFING OF CUSTOMER PREMISE EQUIPMENT PURCHASED SUBSEQUENT TO JANUARY 1, 1983 (SECOND COMPUTER INQUIRY FCC DOCKET 20828)

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 257

ORDER

On December 10, 1982, Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc., Salem Telephone Company, Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc., and North Central Telephone Cooperative, Inc., by counsel, filed a Motion with the Commission requesting an extension of time until February 1, 1983, to file tariffs in compliance with the Commission's Order entered November 24, 1982.

On December 13, 1982, Lewisport Telephone Company filed its Motion with the Commission for an extension of time until January 9, 1983, in which to file its tariffs in compliance with the Order of the Commission entered November 24, 1982.

In support of the Motions, it is stated that additional time is required to make appropriate tariff adjustments.

The Commission, having considered the Motions and being advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the Motions of Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation. Inc., Salem Telephone Company, Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc., North Central Telephone Cooperative, Inc., and Lewisport Telephone Company be and they hereby are sustained.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of December, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary